

## 2022 POLISH HILL RIVER SHIRAZ

### POLISH HILL RIVER & VINEYARD SELECTION

<b>VARIETY</b>	100% Shiraz			
<b>FRUIT SOURCE</b>	Clare Valley			
<b>VINTAGE</b>	<p>The best winter rains for some years, meant vines came out of dormancy into bud burst with the soil profile full of moisture. An official La Nina weather event lead to cool, wetter than average spring, leading to good canopy growth. Some minor frost damage occurred at our Watervale vineyard in October. Most of the flowering occurred late November early December during a rare dry calm period of weather, leading to good fruit set and an above average crop. December was very dry with less than 1mm recorded. We had above average rainfall in January and February, which really helped the vines through veraison leading to the biggest crop loads since 2017. March and April remained dry, which was perfect for the bulk of our harvest.</p>			
<b>BOTTLED</b>	February 2022			
<b>WINE SPECIFICATIONS</b>	Alcohol	14.5%	Total Acidity	6.5g/L
	pH	3.44	Reducing Sugar	0.5 g/L
<b>COLOUR</b>	Ruby violet with a purple rim.			
<b>AROMA</b>	Lifted dark fruit plums and cherries. Black olives and cured meats along with some bitter dark chocolate.			
<b>PALATE</b>	Medium to full bodied complex palate with dark fleshy plums and cherries, the oak is well integrated and there's a graphite texture as well. Firm fine tannins give balance length and elegance.			
<b>OAK MATURATION</b>	15-18 months French and American Oak.			
<b>CELLARING</b>	Drink now or cellar for up to 20 years.			
<b>FOOD IDEAS</b>	Delicious with braised lamb shanks or a matured cheddar.			
<b>AWARDS &amp; ACCOLADES</b>	SILVER   2024 Royal Queensland Wine Awards 93/100   2025 The Real Review			

